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McSwiggen et al.

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Inhibition of Gene Expression
Using Chemically Modified
Short Interfering Nucleic Acid
(siNA)

Examiner: Amy Hudson Bowman

Group Art Unit: 1635

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 7, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir/Madam:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks made in response to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2005.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.